

CHAPTER NO. 96

SENATE BILL NO. 1505

By Jackson

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1268

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, Chapter 4, relative to computer-assisted hunting from remote locations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, Chapter 4, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated part:

§ 70-4-501. "Computer-assisted remote hunting" means the use of a computer or any other device, equipment or software, to control remotely the aiming and discharge of a rifle, shotgun, handgun, bow and arrow, cross-bow or any other implement to hunt wildlife.

§ 70-4-502. A person may not engage in computer-assisted remote hunting or provide or operate facilities for computer-assisted remote hunting if the wildlife being hunted is located in this state.

§ 70-4-503. It is an exception to the application of this section that a person provides only:

(a) General-purpose equipment, including a computer, camera, and building materials;

(b) General-purpose computer software including an operating system and communication programs; or


(c) General telecommunications hardware or networking services for computers, including adapters, modems, servers, routers, and other facilities associated with Internet access.

§ 70-4-504. Any person violating the provisions of this part commits a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 7, 2005


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 22nd day of April 2005


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR